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PROJECT SUN STREAK (U)

WARNING NOTICE: INTELLIGENCE SOURCES AND METHODS INVOLVED

CONTROL NUMBER: SPR-003-86

NICKNAME: OTHER "H"

DATE OF SESSION: 15, 17, 21, 23
OCT 86

TARGET COUNTRY: [REDACTED]

SG11

REFERENCES: SPR-002-86, DATED
OCT 86, SAB

SESSION NUMBER: 07, 08, 10, 11, 12, 13

DATE OF REPORT: 24 OCT 86

MISSION STATUS: CONT

TECHNIQUE UTILIZED: ERV

SOURCE IDENTIFIER: 101

1. () TASKING:

a. () The Interviewer, in a departure from previous protocols, was fully briefed on this mission, (See SPR-001-86, SAB). In light of this fact, the Interviewer, prior to each session, conducted a very short "brief back" on major gestalts provided by Source during the previous session. Additionally, Source was told to visualize a time line covering the targeted dates, 7-22 March 1984, and to mentally eliminate those dates already covered. Each session, therefore, would cover only those days and/or portions of days not previously reported. The procedure of not providing Source with the two previously reported site coordinates was continued (See SPR-001-86, SAB), and in lieu of those coordinates, Source was told simply to focus his attention on "the road in which we are interested". Source was told that we are seeking information on a specific event during the target dates but that each day would eventually be covered regardless of what is reported in the interim.

b. () This procedure, once briefed and mutually agreed upon, proved to be singularly successful since it eliminated unwarranted "visits" to each of the coordinate sites prior to the actual movement to the target area. The procedure was replicated for all four sessions covered by this report. Other than the above cited information, no other cuing or descriptive data was provided to Source prior to any of the sessions included in this report.

2. () SESSION: There were no unusual occurrences or reportable oddities in any of the sessions referenced in this report.

3. () SUMMARY:

a. () Following each of the four sessions described in this report, Source prepared a post-session written summary of his perceptions and impressions. Due to the unique nature of the targeting procedures, much of the information in these post-session summaries was redundant or not relevant to the ultimate target. To facilitate analysis of Source's perceptions as described during and in post-session interviews, the major gestalts have been summarized below with Interviewer notes when appropriate. All data derived from each of the sessions to include the Interviewer's notes and Source's handwritten summaries and sketches are maintained in the field mission file at this location.

(1) () On day 9, (15 March 1984), Source perceived, for the first time, the introduction of large helicopters along the target road. These airborne vehicles were described as "extremely large, huge, clumsy looking with perhaps twin rotor and very noisy". At the time of this perception, (the early morning hours), the aircraft were seen flying in pairs along the road. On the road, traffic continued to be predominantly military with occasional groupings of civilian traffic. The military traffic consists mainly of large trucks and covered vans with the occasional appearance of light armored vehicles with small caliber weapons protruding from the upper housing of the vehicles. Source reported that there appeared to be several configurations for these light armored vehicles but the changes only seemed to be in the upper components. The chassis were perceived as being identical. On this day, the road appears to be muddier than before and the sky seems darker as though the sun is being blocked by heavy clouds. Many of the military vehicles are stopping at a wide spot between the two major cities closer to the area previously labelled as Site 1, a town with a military installation. Site 2, the other town has no such military installation. At this "wide spot" on the road, the military has begun to intrench themselves by setting up protective berms of dirt and wood pilings, erecting tarpaulin weather covers for the men and equipment and consolidating and "digging in" the various vehicles. Several tubular weapons have been set up within this "protectorate" and occasionally the military fire several rounds of unknown type ordnance into the nearby mountains ostensibly to harass and interdict the movement of robed men known to be moving around in those hills. Several explosions from these weapons are observed by Source with no noticeable damage. During the evening hours, the soldiers light campfires. The hill people continue to move about observing the activities of these soldiers. At night the road continues to "belong" to these hill people.

(2) () On day 10, (16 March 1984), Source perceived an increasing number of robed men apparently gathering in the hills. Some of these men are wearing different colored robes than the people normally found in this area. Animals are now being seen among these people carrying bundles other unknown

commodities. In the military protectorate near the road, they have begun using another piece of equipment. It can be heard humming from a great distance with a sound similar to a power generator. The pitch fluctuates periodically. This sound is associated with the use of another device used to "clarify and highlight things". This device is described as having a very low outline with angular curves like a "dish antenna". This curved device is wider than it is long. During the daylight hours of day 10 only essential traffic is permitted on the road and then only when escorted by armed convoy. This new restriction on road use has been implemented since the use of the above cited device began and there seemed to be some correlation but the nature of that correlation could not be discerned. The troops based at this area of the road, the protectorate area, as well as the troops who do travel the road, are very tense and nervous. Heavier combat equipment is being observed including long tubular objects being towed by heavy truck similar to towed cannons. The purpose of this show of power is an attempt to reestablish control of the road. To accent this effort, for the first time, military patrols are observed moving into the hills at night to establish static positions which may be listening posts or ambush positions. The hill people and the military patrols are mutually aware of each others presence and mutually avoid any type of confrontation.

(3) () On day 11, (17 March 1984), more military vehicles join the protectorate area. Some of these vehicles appear to be lightly armored while others appear to be more heavily armored. There is a wide array of weaponry ranging from single tubed pieces, (perhaps light tanks, cannon or towed artillery), to a lightly armored wheeled vehicle with several (perhaps three) projecting tubes in parallel. The security forces at this site, including the short range patrols, have increased in numbers around the area. At night there is an impression of flashing lights, "like flashbulbs", and the smell of cordite and burning aluminum. These lights are used to illuminate the area from the air and are proceeded by a loud "thunking" sound as though they were being shot into the air. In the early morning hours there is an impression of an unusual piece of equipment moving from Site I towards the protectorate area. This item is described as long, cylindrical, dark colored, pointed on one end and something resembling a fin assembly on the other end. The whole device is secured on some sort of bed or moving trailer. There are some sort of hydraulics associated with this device which permits it to be raised or lowered. Externally, there are other "knobs and levers" either attached directly to this device or directly associated with the attachment. (NOTE: The subsequent sketch made by Source of this device resembled a missile assembly "like" a US Lance or Soviet FROG system). This device moves down the road very slowly and oddly enough it has few escort security vehicles. Source labels this device a "submarine" not to identify its purpose but rather to accent its size and general configuration. The "submarine" eventually moves into the perimeter of the protectorate area

where it remains parked with other vehicles at this site. The people in the hills continue to increase in numbers while at the same time the soldiers at the protectorate area continue to improve their positions by modifying the berms, improving the quality of personal existence and by providing for security around the vehicles parked within the perimeter. Throughout the day helicopters continue to be flying along the road. Occasionally a helicopter will land near the perimeter of the protectorate area but this fact doesn't seem to have any real significance to the overall scheme of things. Some civilian traffic is now being permitted on the road and the general impression among the soldiers within the protectorate area is one of relaxation and simple repetitive tasks. At night, however, the feeling shifts to one of tenseness and alertness with the overall apprehensive focus being directed towards the mountains and the hill people known to be there.

(4) () On day 12, (18 March 1986), an hour or two after midnight, the hill people fire several rounds of small artillery, (possibly mortar), towards the protectorate area and then quickly breaking down their weapons and fleeing back into the mountains. The rounds land well short of the protectorate area and inflict no damage. Throughout the night, there is sporadic sniping by the hill people but it is ineffective. Throughout the daylight hours there are no further incidents and the traffic along the road remains routine and unabated. Around the protectorate area, the soldiers continue to upgrade the security of the berms, bunkers and dug in positions. The wood used to assist in this strengthening of the berms resemble railroad ties. In the mountains, the men in robes quietly observe the activities all along the road paying particular attention to the activities in the protectorate area. As night falls, these hill people again move down to the road but on this night there is a heightened feeling of tenseness and anticipation. The smell of adrenalin is apparent. More pack animals are now in evidence among these people and they are being joined by more of the same type of people who wear different colored robes. Among the items being carried by these pack animals are heavy metallic cylindrical objects capable of firing numerous small projectiles, (heavy machine gun?). These weapons normally take two or three men to operate and are only brought to bear in special circumstances. Their presence now serves to heighten the anticipation among the hill people.

(5) () In the late night hours of day 12, the plans of the hill people begin to materialize as they begin to move across the road into a ravine at the rear of the protectorate area. Another group of hill people set up the rapid fire "crew served" weapon along the road between the protectorate area and Site I. The hill people are very quiet during this process and move very slowly into their assigned positions where they then sit quietly and patiently and wait for the appointed time to continue. The focus of attention on the part of the soldiers in the protectorate area continues to be the mountains

directly to the front since they are unaware that the hill people have crossed the road and are now located at their rear. These soldiers have no impending sense of danger or heightened alertness.

(6) () On day 13, (19 March 1984), in the hours just before dawn, the hill people launch a barrage of small artillery or mortar at the protectorate area. The sounds of these rounds is perceived impacting inside the protectorate area perimeter. The soldiers respond with numerous glowing objects shot into the air to illuminate the area. Initially their return fire is directed at the mountains to the front but as a result of the illumination, the hill people can now use their side arms to fire among the confused soldiers. In doing so, however, they reveal their own positions and soon their fire becomes ineffective and the soldiers cease firing into the mountains. Along the road the other group of hill people continue to wait anxiously and very soon their mission is fulfilled. A quick moving convoy rushes from Site 1 heading for the protectorate area, ostensibly to provide assistance. At a strategic juncture of the road the emplaced hill people destroy two of the lead vehicles in this convoy, setting them afire with accompanying explosions. The remainder of the convoy is forced to retreat back to Site 1. At the protectorate area, the barrage from the hill people has ignited a large secondary explosion, (possibly petroleum or ammunition stores), within the perimeter area. Numerous vehicles have also sustained various degrees of damage. The whole engagement last less than an hour at which time the hill people conduct an orderly and phased withdrawal back to the mountains. The purpose of this attack was to inflict a maximum amount of damage on equipment with only a secondary consideration being given to inflicting casualties. At this they were apparently successful.

(7) () As daylight approaches, repair and salvage crews from Site 1 begin to arrive. They make little effort to repair any of the damage equipment but rather they exchange the equipment on a one for one basis. The smells and sounds of welding and cutting equipment, (hissing, popping, clanking of metal against metal), indicates that other equipment was being cut up and carried away. Equipment with no apparent damage is nevertheless subjected to testing to insure its continued reliability. Throughout the remainder of the day, other soldiers continue to arrive in the protectorate area along with increased numbers of vehicles including for the first time, very heavy armored vehicles on tracks with large tube projections, (possibly a tank vehicle). These vehicles are set up in defensive positions outside the perimeter of the protectorate area. Aircraft, which are apparently helicopters, land and take off from small flat areas around the protectorate area. All along the road other similar aircraft are seen flying repeatedly up and down the road. A senior officer arrives at the area and is very angry about many aspects of this attack. He berates some of the men about the security at the site and is upset about the fact

that one of the soldiers has been apparently taken prisoner by the hill people. This fact is later perceived by Source when he focused his attention on the hill people and observed their handling of this prisoner. The prisoners outcome was not discerned.

(8) () Within the protectorate area a new type of construction began in the morning hours following the attack and continued throughout the day. Initially a large covered van containing an unknown type of electronic equipment moved into the protectorate area and a separate military crew began erecting a tower structure near the van. These troops were somewhat arrogant and haughty. This structure was not being built directly as a result of the attack but the attack moved its construction date forward. As the day progressed the height of the tower increased but always appeared to be too low to be an effective microwave or similar communications facility. Additionally, dish shaped devices affixed to the tower were intentionally pointed towards the mountains in the front of the area which would be improper directioning for normal communications equipment. (NOTE: At one point Source was describing the tower apparatus and the movement of the "submarine" to the center of the perimeter area. At that point he stopped abruptly and stated that, "the hair has just risen up on the back of my neck", indicating an anxiety response as opposed to a simple cold chill. Source could not explain the cause of this reaction. Attempts to correlate this anxiety response to the tower, the van, the "submarine" or the combination of either was unproductive, however, something about the site, the equipment at the site or the overall gestalt (or future gestalt) apparently bled through Source's description into his personal socio/cultural mindset).

(9) () Finally, later in the day, (still day 13), as the perimeters were being strengthened and reinforced at the protectorate area an explosion occurred along the highway near Site 1. This explosion appeared to be caused by a land mine or similar independent detonation not directly related to either opposing force. The explosion destroyed a large land vehicle of unknown size and description.

4. () OPS FEEDBACK: The data provided thus far continues to increase in clarity and apparent quality. As the terminus date of this time line, (22 March 1984), it is difficult to determine which of the various outcomes would be derived from these sessions:

a. () The event will be discovered and described in equally clear and concise detail.

b. () The event did not actually occur and therefore, will not be found and reported upon.

c. () The event did occur but did not occur


within the given time parameters in which we are operating and therefore not reported upon.

d. () The event did occur during the stated time parameters but Source failed to report the incident for reasons dealing with his personal abhorrence to destructive carnage.

e. () Source did, in fact, report the event but in terms which the Interviewer failed to recognize and exploit.

Each of these represents a whole series of alternative courses of action which will, as appropriate, be explored after the terminus session dealing with 22 March 1986, assuming of course that outcome "a" above is not achieved.

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